



## CITY OF LOMA LINDA

*Community Development Department  
25541 Barton Road, Loma Linda, CA 92354*

### PARKS, RECREATION AND BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE APPROVED SUMMARY AGENDA

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2004, 6:00 P.M.

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25541 BARTON ROAD, LOMA LINDA

A. CALL TO ORDER - 6:18 pm

B. ROLL CALL (members present to constitute a quorum)

**Committee**

**Present:** Kurt Swigart, Chair  
Janet Razzouk, Vice Chair  
Valerie Gallant  
Doree Morgan  
Miguel Rojas  
Betty Stark

**Absent:** George Pendered  
Richard Wiley

**Staff:** T. Jarb Thaipejr, Public Works Director/City Engineer

C. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR/PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Public Works Director Thaipejr stated that he would like to add an item to the agenda per a request from Glenn Elssmann, Deer Park, LLC.

Vice Chairman Razzouk stated that a concurrent conceptual plan previously presented included construction of 1,400 homes, a golf course and a major road that would connect to the center of Hulda Crooks Park. She had concerns regarding the road. At a trails subcommittee meeting, the subcommittee proposed open space in the center of the Park area. Mr. Elssmann's project would bisect into the center. She was very concerned with that. If the Committee had similar or other concerns, she suggested expressing their concerns in a form of a letter to City Council.

Public Works Director Thaipejr explained that Mr. Elssmann was requesting to work with the Park, Recreation and Beautification Committee on a monthly basis or set up a subcommittee to review the design and expansion of Hulda Crooks Park.

The Committee expressed a great interest in reviewing the project and appreciated the opportunity to provide input. However, they didn't support the idea of meeting monthly with Mr. Elssmann. They

also preferred that the entire committee review the plans. They recommended having Mr. Elssmann submit his plans to the Committee for review at various stages of the design.

Public Works Director Thaipejr stated that he would inform Mr. Elssmann of the Committee's recommendations and will request that Mr. Elssmann submit his plans for preliminary review at 30%, 60% and 90% completion.

He went on to say that the City intends to proceed with their plans to develop tennis courts and a parking lot at Hulda Crooks Park.

#### D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA SUMMARY

The committee noted editorial changes to the minutes.

**Motion by Betty Stark, seconded by Valerie Gallant and motion carried unanimously to approve the minutes as amended. Pendered and Wiley absent.**

#### E. DISCUSSION ITEMS

##### 1. Status of Parks Projects

Public Works Director Thaipejr reported the status of the following park projects:

- 1) The new playground equipment was installed at Hulda Crooks Park. The rubberized surface would be installed the upcoming week, and the project would be complete.
- 2) One pad was graded at Heritage Park, and one house would be moved onto the foundation. The only orange trees that would be removed are ones where the two pads will be located. Palm trees will be planted on the sides of the homes.

He noted that staff upgraded the electrical wiring along the Barton Rd. median to install the Christmas light decorations along the median. Christmas decorations were added to the Civic Center entry this year.

##### 2. Potential Picks for the 2005 Beautification Program

Public Works Director Thaipejr explained that two years ago, Mayor Floyd Peterson implemented the Beautification Program, whereby one to two residents are given this award for the aesthetic beauty of their property and their contributions to beautifying the Community. The award has been given at the Chamber Installation and Awards Dinner. The Parks Division funds this program.

He was just made aware that the Chamber Installation and Awards Dinner is January 27, 2005. Being one month away, he didn't believe the Committee would have sufficient time to survey the City and make nominations.

It was discussed by the Committee that this time of year might not be best time to make nominations. It was suggested that the springtime would be a better time. The award could then be given at the Chamber Installation Dinner.

Public Works Director Thaipejr stated that another option would be to present the award at a City Council meeting. He didn't think it would be a problem with the Chamber of Commerce to do that. He would talk to Peg Karsick.

**It was the consensus of the Committee to postpone the 2005 Beautification Program to the spring and the award be presented by the City Council. Pendered and Wiley absent.**

Public Works Director Thaipejr stated that he was involved with a survey conducted by the American Society of Civil Engineer in the Inland Empire (ASCE), regarding park and open space. The survey was distributed to various jurisdictions. He received a positive response. The surveys showed that most jurisdictions have adequate open space and parks, but have difficulty with overhead costs to maintain. Loma Linda shares the same difficulties. He noted that the monetary allocations from the State's Park Bond Act 2000 and 2002 have been helpful to many jurisdictions to develop or enhance open space and parks, but the costs for personnel to maintain may be difficult. As a result of his calculations, his overall rating of this survey of parks and open space was a "C+".

ASCE prepared a report pertaining to the inadequate infrastructure in the Inland Empire. The report should be completed in January. A copy of the report will be shared with the Committee and presented to the State.

He went on to say that the relocation of the two Beaumont Ave. bridges would begin this week. The project should be completed in April. The Mt. View Bridge widening project continues to move forward. He will be working with the County of San Bernardino and City of Redlands on the reconfiguration of the intersection at Redlands Blvd. and California St. He noted that the City selected a Landscape Architect to design the median of Redlands Blvd. A committee will be formed by the business owners along Redlands Blvd. He stated that the City has been working with City of Redlands and the County of San Bernardino Flood Control for the San Timoteo Creek Enhancement project. He stated the City would be installing surveillance cameras at the City parks from the fiber optics installation.

## **F. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Agenda Summary approved by the Parks, Recreation and Beautification Committee on January 10, 2005.

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T. Jarb Thaipejr, P.E., Public Works Director/City Engineer